# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
# LOK SABHA

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REJECTION OF MARINE PRODUCTS BY EUROPEAN COUNTRIES
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**Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the marine products being exported from the country found to contain antibiotics which are banned in Western countries;

(b) whether the Government are aware that European countries returned the marine products exported by India for the above reasons; and

(c) if so, whether the Government are considering to impose ban on the production and sale of these antibiotics in the country?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY ( SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY )

(a) No.

(b) Not applicable.

(c) The use of any antibiotic is prohibited if administration of such antibiotic is found to be health hazard or irrational. However, Government had already taken preventive action by specifying Maximum Residual Limits for antibiotics, pesticides and heavy metals in fish and fishery products through statutory order S.O.792(E) dated 17th August, 2001.